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Liber B. Trades and for better secureing the Plantation Trade, We Will P. R. O. and require you to be ayding and assisting to the said Patrick Mein in the execution and discharge of the Trust committed to him in the Service aforesaid And in the putting in execution all other the Lawes relating to the Trade of our Plantations according as he is or shall be instructed from time to time by the Comiss's of our Customes in England now and for the time being. And soe Wee bid you very heartily farewell. Given at our Court at Whitehall the 18th day of November 1685 in the first yeare of our Reign.

Governor of Maryland superscribed

By his Maj^{ties} Command Rochester

To our R^t Trusty and Welbeloved Charles Lord Baltemore Proprietary of our Province of Maryland in America.

In pursuance of the Direction of the Rt Honble the Lord High Treasurer of England Wee have issued forth our Deputation to Mr Patrick Mein to be Surveyor Generall of his Majtie's Customes in the Colony of Virginia and Maryland and other of his Majestie's Plantations, and haveing given him certain Instructions for inspecting the actions of our Collectors and other Officers there And to give such directions as he shall find necessary for his Majestie's p. 73 service for better collecting the duties and for causing a strict observation of the Acts of Trade and Navigation within the said Collonyes and Plantations Wee desire that your Lordship will please to give him your encouragement and assistance as occasion in the premises We remain

Your Lordship's Most humble servants D. North

Custom House London 7th December 85 Governor of Maryland Jo. Werden W. Dickinson W. Butler L. Chadleigh

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For the R^t Hon^{ble} Charles Lord Baltemore
Prop^{ry} of his Maj^{ties} Province of Maryland
in America.

To all which their Hon¹⁵ expressed a ready complyance and assured the said Mein of their Ayd, Assistance and encouragement in all thing relateing to his Comisso and required by his Maj^{tie} as often as occasion should be for the same.

The said Mein acquainted their Hon¹⁵ he was very sensible this Government had been misrepresented to his Majestie and Comiss¹⁵ of the Customes concerning the murder of one of his